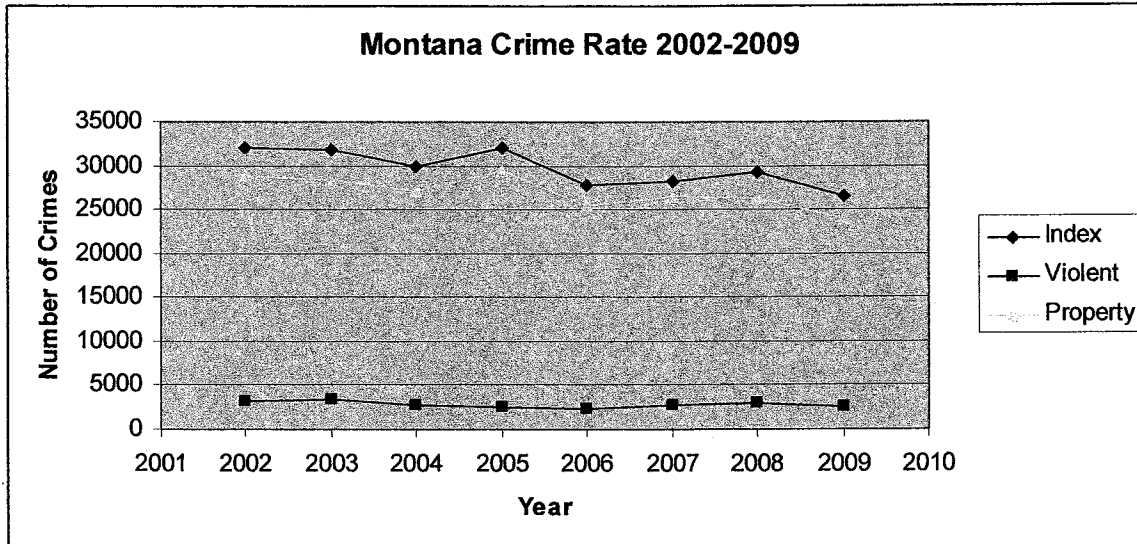


Montana Crime Rates Versus Medical Marijuana Patient Registration

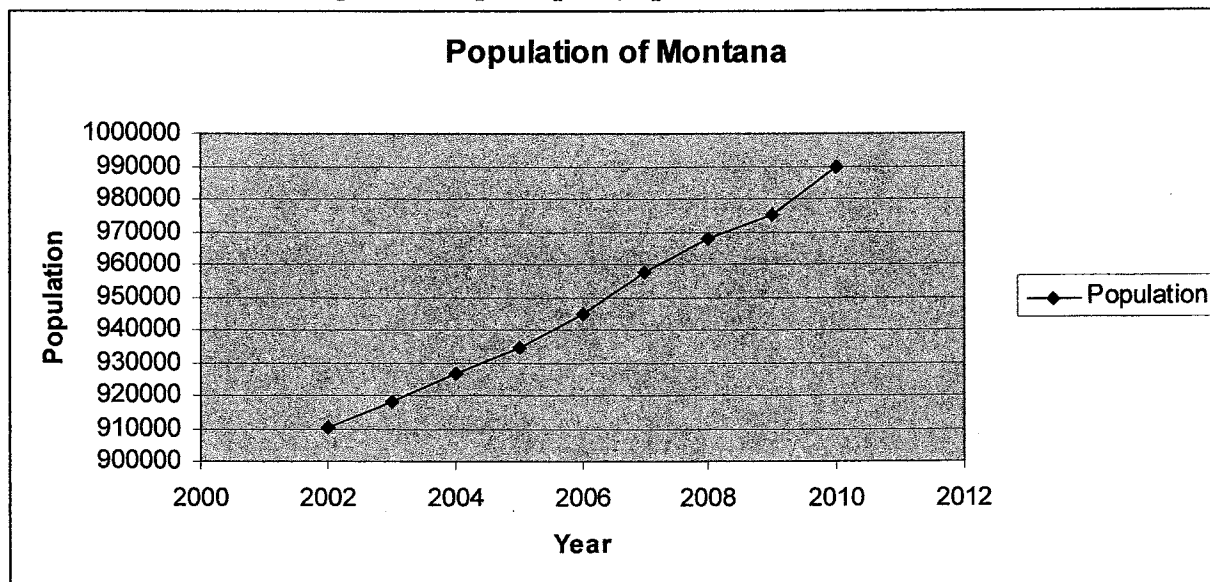
Overview of Crime Rate from 2002-2009

(2010 data is not available, agencies aren't required to submit until March 2011)

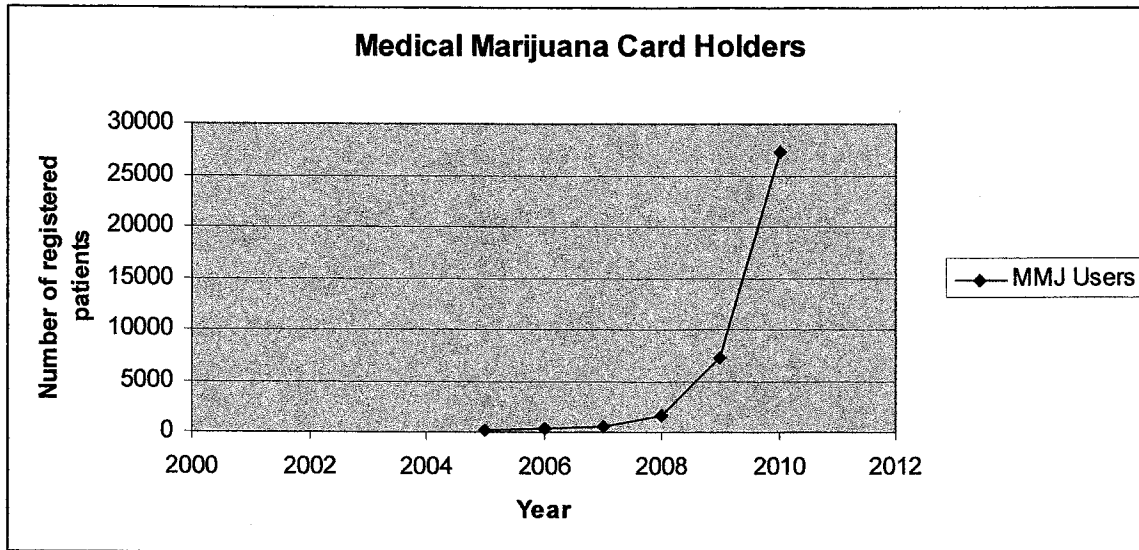


This chart shows 3 types of crime that are measured. Index, Violent and Property Crime from 2002 to 2009. Index crimes are the 7 major crimes reported statewide and nationally (murder, rape, robbery, assault, burglary, theft, vehicle theft)

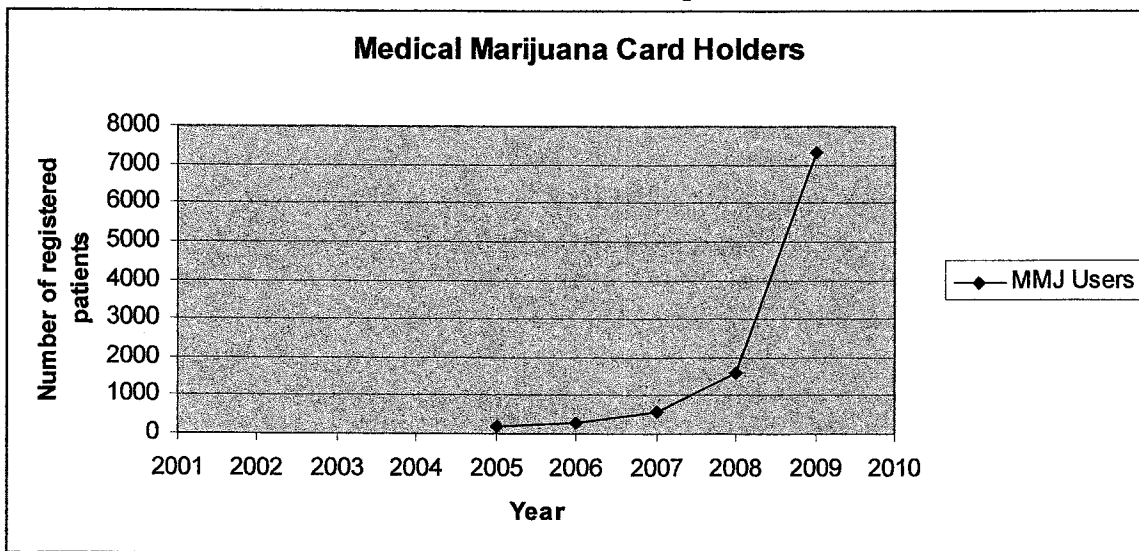
Despite a downward trend, Montana's population continues to rise, meaning most of these would be even lower if expressed as per capita (ie per 100,000 residents)



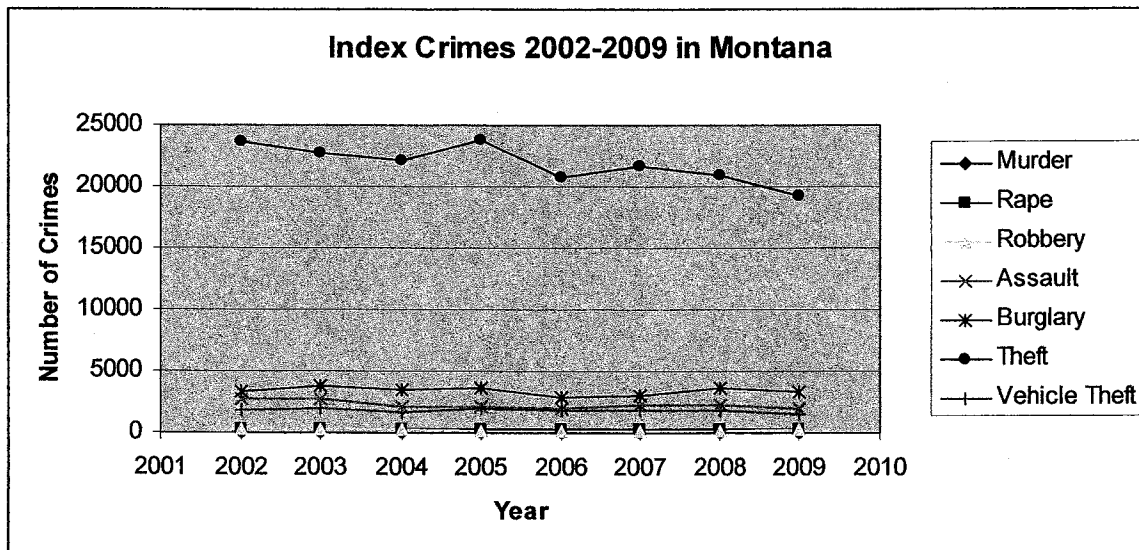
Here is the graph of the number of registered medical marijuana patients over that time. (Please note 2010 is included, but can't be compared until crime stats are compiled for 2010)



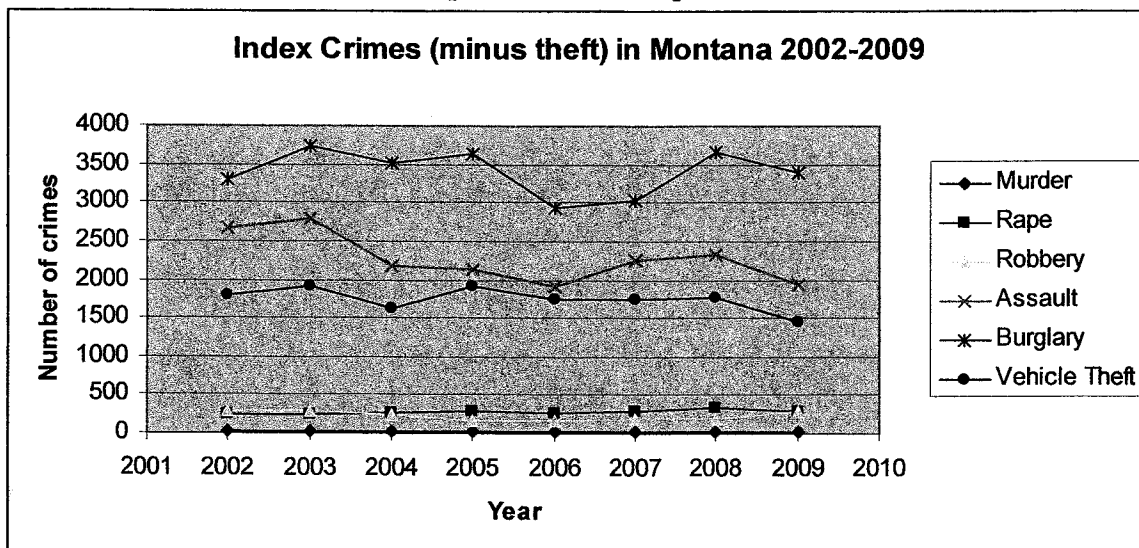
Same graph not including 2010 to make a better comparison with crime data:



Here is a graph of the Index crimes separated out for the same time period:



Same graph with theft removed to provide a clearer picture of the data:



All data is based off the Uniform Crime Report collected by the FBI. The FBI has released a preliminary report of data through June 30, 2010, however this data is only categorized by region. Compared to the same period in 2009 the region including Montana (West region) saw a 7.2 % decline in violent crime, 7.1 % decline in murder, 5.4 % decline in rape, 11.2 % decline in robbery, 5.3 % decline in assaults, 3.1 % decline in property crime, 1.3 % decline in burglaries, 2.2 % decline in thefts, and a 10 % decline in vehicle thefts. Again these are for the whole region, but we haven't seen any data to indicate any major increases in crime here yet from the data.

This same data is available from the Montana Crime Control Board.

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Raw data is below:

Year	Index	Violent	Property	Murder	Rape	Robbery	Assault	Burglary	Theft	Auto Theft
2002	31948	3197	28751	16	237	283	2661	3289	23679	1783
2003	31779	3351	28428	30	246	298	2777	3722	22800	1906
2004	29938	2723	27215	30	273	233	2187	3515	22082	1618
2005	32041	2634	29407	18	301	177	2138	3642	23794	1917
2006	27784	2397	25387	18	269	164	1914	2935	20704	1748
2007	28243	2754	26489	14	290	191	2259	3027	21707	1755
2008	29241	2918	26323	33	346	203	2336	3654	20898	1771
2009	26491	2473	24024	28	294	294	1935	3386	19182	1456

Source: FBI, Uniform Crime Report

Year	MMJ Users	Population
2002		910372
2003		918157
2004		926920
2005	176	934737
2006	287	944632
2007	572	957861
2008	1577	968035
2009	7339	974989
2010	27292	989415

Source: MT DPHHS, US Census

FBI 2010 Preliminary Crime report through first half of 2010 is available at:

http://www.fbi.gov/about-us/cjis/ucr/crime-in-the-u.s/2010/preliminary-crime-in-the-u.s-2009/prelimiucrjan-jun_10_excels/table-2

Montana Survey Results

Q1 Do you think the state legislature should overturn an initiative that was enacted by a strong majority of voters?

Yes..... 24%
No 48%
Not sure 28%

Q2 Do you support allowing patients with multiple sclerosis, cancer, and other serious illnesses to have the freedom to use marijuana for medical purposes with their doctors' approval?

Yes..... 63%
No 30%
Not sure 6%

Q3 In the past two years, there has been some controversy related to aspects of Montana's medical marijuana law. To address concerns, should the legislature enact a law that adds strict regulations, such as requiring providers to abide by strict licensing and security regulations, and allowing localities to ban stores that sell medical marijuana?

Yes..... 60%
No 25%
Not sure 15%

Q4 In 2004, 62% of Montana voters approved an initiative to allow seriously ill patients to use marijuana for medical purposes with their physicians' recommendations. This year, the legislature is considering proposals related to the law, including to add regulations to it or to repeal it entirely. What should the legislature do?

Should leave the law alone 27%
Should add strict regulations..... 49%
Should repeal it entirely 20%
Not sure 4%

Q5 If you are a woman, press 1. If a man, press 2.

Woman 52%
Man..... 48%

Q6 If you are a Democrat, press 1. If a Republican, press 2. If you are an independent or member of another party, press 3.

Democrat 29%
Republican..... 35%
Independent/Other 36%

Q7 If you are 18 to 34 years old, press 1. If 35 to 49, press 2. If 50 to 64, press 3. If you are 65 or older, press 4.

18 to 34..... 18%
35 to 49..... 29%
50 to 64..... 33%
65 or older..... 20%



Crosstabs

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Should Legislature Overturn Measure Enacted by Strong Majority of Voters?			
Yes	24%	23%	25%
No	48%	45%	51%
Not sure	28%	32%	25%

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Should Patients Have Freedom to Use Marijuana with Dr. Approval?			
Yes	63%	63%	63%
No	30%	29%	32%
Not sure	6%	7%	5%

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Should Legislature Add Strict Regulations to Med. Marijuana Law?			
Yes	60%	61%	60%
No	25%	23%	27%
Not sure	15%	16%	13%

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
What Should Legislature Do About Med. Marijuana Law?			
Should leave the law alone	27%	25%	29%
Should add strict regulations	49%	52%	46%
Should repeal it entirely	20%	19%	21%
Not sure	4%	5%	4%





Crosstabs

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Should Legislature Overturn Measure Enacted by Strong Majority of Voters?				
Yes	24%	15%	30%	25%
No	48%	61%	38%	47%
Not sure	28%	24%	32%	28%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Should Patients Have Freedom to Use Marijuana with Dr. Approval?				
Yes	63%	79%	51%	62%
No	30%	17%	41%	31%
Not sure	6%	4%	7%	7%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Should Legislature Add Strict Regulations to Med. Marijuana Law?				
Yes	60%	49%	71%	59%
No	25%	33%	18%	24%
Not sure	15%	18%	11%	16%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
What Should Legislature Do About Med. Marijuana Law ?				
Should leave the law alone	27%	38%	19%	26%
Should add strict regulations	49%	48%	51%	48%
Should repeal it entirely	20%	11%	26%	21%
Not sure	4%	3%	4%	5%





Crosstabs

	Base	Age			
		18 to 34	35 to 49	50 to 64	65 or older
Should Legislature Overturn Measure Enacted by Strong Majority of Voters ?					
Yes	24%	17%	27%	23%	26%
No	48%	54%	44%	52%	41%
Not sure	28%	29%	29%	24%	33%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 34	35 to 49	50 to 64	65 or older
Should Patients Have Freedom to Use Marijuana with Dr. Approval?					
Yes	63%	72%	56%	66%	61%
No	30%	23%	38%	28%	30%
Not sure	6%	5%	6%	6%	9%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 34	35 to 49	50 to 64	65 or older
Should Legislature Add Strict Regulations to Med. Marijuana Law ?					
Yes	60%	54%	62%	59%	67%
No	25%	31%	24%	26%	18%
Not sure	15%	15%	14%	16%	15%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 34	35 to 49	50 to 64	65 or older
What Should Legislature Do About Med. Marijuana Law ?					
Should leave the law alone	27%	39%	24%	27%	21%
Should add strict regulations	49%	44%	46%	49%	56%
Should repeal it entirely	20%	13%	25%	21%	18%
Not sure	4%	4%	5%	3%	4%

